

## NEWS CAPSULES

### House passes bill for youth voluntarism

WASHINGTON (AP) — A \$193 million bill encouraging young people to volunteer for community service projects won House passage despite a veto threat from the White House.

The National Service Act, approved on a voice vote Thursday, now goes to a conference committee to resolve differences with a version passed by the Senate last spring.

The Senate version is less costly and contains a key provision not included by the House — a \$35 million demonstration program providing financial aid to college students and first-time homebuyers in exchange for community volunteer work.

# Volunteer program revives barn-raising tradition

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By The UCLA-USC Long Term Care Gerontology Center



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**QUESTION:** A friend told me about a volunteer program in which neighbors help elderly homeowners repair their residences. Can you give me details about the program?

**ANSWER:** Your friend was probably referring to Christmas in April, a nonprofit organization credited with reviving America's barn-raising tradition by bringing together groups of volunteers to repair the homes of low-income, elderly and disabled people.

Since the program's inception in 1973, 65,000 volunteers have helped paint, rewire, insulate and otherwise fix up — for free — more than 4,800 homes across the country.

Christmas in April volunteers usually complete repairs in one day, at an average cost of \$1,500 per home. Local businesses, churches and other community groups often donate money and supplies.

The program is popular among volunteers because it "offers them a direct and targeted way to contribute to their communities," says Patricia R. Johnson, Executive Director of Christmas in April-USA. It's particularly appealing to people who are so busy they can only volunteer for a day.

The local programs — now in 40 cities in 16 states — operate independently, each governed, managed and administered by a board of directors.

People interested in starting a program or finding out about existing programs in their community should

write to Christmas in April-USA, 1225 Eye Street, N.W., Suite 600, Washington, D.C. 20005, or call (202) 326-8268.

**QUESTION:** I'm 60 years old and recently divorced. My ex-husband used to manage our money, so I know very little about investing. A friend advised me to invest more aggressively by converting some savings into stock, but my fear of losing money stops me from taking action. What should I do?

**ANSWER:** Many older men and women invest in only the most conservative instruments, dubbed income investments: certificates of deposit, money-market accounts and government securities.

Although such a strategy protects capital and provides income for liv-

ing expenses, over the long haul it may undermine financial well-being because it doesn't provide a hedge against inflation.

In order to preserve their purchasing power, older folks need to invest in growth instruments as well. These include stocks and real estate, whose values rise and fall with changes in the economy. Although such investments are generally more volatile than income investments, their potential returns are greater.

Many financial advisers recommend investing a percentage equal to your age in income-producing instruments and the balance in growth investments.

Your investment portfolio should aim for 60 percent income-producing investments and 40 percent

growth investments under this strategy.

For people who balk at the notion of risking their hard-earned savings, financial planners recommend slow, cautious action. Start with an ultra-conservative portfolio and read all you can about investments.

Good sources of information include the business section of your newspaper, the Wall Street Journal, Money Magazine and financial-news programs such as the "Nightly Business Report" on PBS. Some advisers recommend you never invest in stocks what you cannot afford to lose, and that a mutual fund with a proven record of return is your best bet.

# Volunteer.

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## Timpanogos Emergency Response Team Needs Volunteers

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Timpanogos Emergency Response Team (TERT), a volunteer group that operates under the auspices of the Utah County Sheriff's

tioned during their first term in office, Bill Orton has won a seat on several key committees and his voice is being heard. He is working especially hard for this county in many areas.

County Democrats need to band together as never before. Two years pass very quickly, and although we know his record will speak for him, now is the time to get behind

## USDA Surplus Commodities Available To Low Income

USDA Surplus Commodities are again available. You must meet the following requirements:

1. You must be low income and a resident of Wasatch County.
2. You must have an urgent need for food.
3. You must meet the income guidelines

The commodities will be available

If you are interested in donating a weekend or two of your time this summer, the team would appreciate hearing from you. You can either come to training this Saturday at Theatre in The Pines parking lot (above Aspen Grove) at 9:10 a.m., bring warm snow clothes, or call any of the following for more information. Launa Nielson in Wasatch County at 654-0324; Glen Meyer in Utah County at 375-4074 or Bruce Longstroth in Salt Lake County at 255-2091.

## Families Invited To Host International Students Arriving in U.S. in August

4-17-91

Heber City area residents are invited to host for Youth For Understanding (YFU) International Exchange, one of the world's oldest and largest exchange programs for high school students.

In August, nearly 4,000 international students from 29 countries will meet their host families in places like Heber City all across the United States. They will become part of their host families for the school year, participating in all family activities from household chores to vacations.

Host families provide room, board, love, and guidance. Students bring their own spending money and are medically insured. YFU provides extensive support services to families and students including orientations, counseling and a network of professionally-trained volunteers.

YFU carefully screens families and matches them with students through an in-depth interview process. Married couples with or without

children, as well as single parents with at least one child living at home, are eligible to host.

For more information about becoming a YFU host family, call 1-800-USA-0200.



## Volunteer Donates Many Hours

Marge Anderson donates many hours of volunteer labor to help beautify Midway. She has prepared and planted the flower bed in front of the City Office building designed around the Centennial theme. A number of other volunteers have assisted in various ways to make this a special year to commemorate incorporation as a town. 5-29-91



# Letters

Letters To The Editor is a column for the public to voice their opinion. Letters To The Editor must be submitted prior to MONDAY NOON, and must bear the signature, full name and address of the writer. Names may be withheld on request at the discretion of the Publisher of *The Wasatch Wave*. Writers are limited to one letter in two weeks. Please no endorsement letters. Preference will be given to short, typewritten (double spaced) letters permitting the use of the writer's name. All letters subject to condensation. Mail to: EDITOR, P.O. BOX 128, HEBER CITY, UT 84032.

5-29-91

Dear Editor: I was asked to be the PTA president of the middle school. I made it clear that I had no experience in the leadership of PTA, but I'd put in many hours into the schools volunteering in classrooms, chaperoning, field trips, etc. I said if they could not find anyone else I would be willing to do it. They asked me, and introduced me at their meeting to the other area PTA presidents as the middle school PTA president. Then later that very afternoon, they told me they didn't want me to be the president. They said it was because I seemed negative to them at their meeting, and that the principal of the middle school would not work with me.

After checking things out, it was discovered that they tried to stop the past PTA president from even bringing me to their meeting because it was the Regional PTA president that didn't want to work with me, because of a difference of opinion to do with the Bell Ringers in Midway. They said nothing to me at the meeting, instead introduced me to all the other presidents as the PTA president of the middle school. They later tried to blame the whole conflict on the principal not being willing to work with me. That is not true, and when they were told that he didn't think there

was any problem and that they had a hard enough time getting someone to fill this position and someone who was willing to do the job should not be discouraged.

Since talking to the past president and letting her know that the principal didn't feel there was a problem, she said well you still can't be the president unless you are willing to campaign for the position. I said when you asked me no one else was willing to do it. She said that now they had thought of some more people they could try and she would call to find someone to run against me, and acted like there was no chance of my winning. They also said they would do this because they didn't want me undoing all the things they had worked so hard to accomplish in PTA.

I have been treated so unfairly...including the meeting they had after the PTA meeting, where they discussed what an awful person and terrible mother I was and all the stories they could make up about me. Actually telling lies about things they'd heard (in other words, gossip). There were witnesses. I think the citizens have a right to know how a volunteer was treated.

Anne Loertscher

## Local Information

June 1991

**Volunteers** needed for Heber Valley Powwow May 31, June 1 and 2. More information, call Elizabeth Stieler after 4 p.m., 654-2733.

**The Wasatch Community Swimming Pool** will be closed until further notice for repairs.

**Family History Center**, 700 S. 200 E., Heber City. Library hours, Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Evenings (Mon., Thurs., Fri.) 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Saturday, 9 a.m. to 12 noon. Make appointments for computer use. Trained personnel.

**Garbage Dump**, located at 1900 S. U.S. Hwy. 40, will be open April 10 through May 18, Tuesday through Saturday, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Dump yard waste and debris free-of-charge.

**The Solid Waste Department** is now located at the **Public Works Department**. The phone number is 654-1661.

**Wasatch Waste Disposal Station's** new hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday.

**Alanon Meetings** (Wednesday) Wasatch County Complex, 805 West 100 South, Heber City, 8 p.m. For information, call Connie, 654-0707, daytime; after five, Gail, 654-3872.

**Alateen Meetings** (Monday) 8 p.m., at 3677 S. 2800 W., near Charleston Cemetery. Questions? Call Ann, 654-3061 or Jan, 654-2902.

**AA Meetings:** Heber City, Monday and Thursday, 8 p.m. at Wasatch County Complex, 805 West 100 South. AA meeting every Saturday night, 8 p.m. same place.



## County leaders emphasize family life, volunteerism

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SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — With the Mormon Tabernacle Choir as a backdrop, Salt Lake County Commissioner Mike Stewart opened the National Association of Counties convention with emphasis on families and volunteerism.

Stewart, association president this year, advised thousands of county-government colleagues that their ability to "make sure Americans sleep better at night" requires them to re-emphasize basics upon which the country was built.

"As we face the future we need to look back and see what got you here today," he told the group's 56th annual conference Sunday. "Something happened in our lives that's not happening in the lives of today's children."

The family is a key source of strength, Stewart said, buttressing his contention with a video.

The film concluded a multimedia

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opening ceremony in the sweltering Mormon Tabernacle that included a taped welcome by President Bush, performances by the choir and recollections of space travel by keynote speaker Sen. Jake Garn, R-Utah.

The 5,000 county officials attending the conference also will hear from U.S. Health and Human Services Secretary Louis W. Sullivan; Robert Martinez, former Florida governor and director of the Office of National Drug Control Policy; and Gerald McEntee, president of the 1.5 million-member American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees.

Although resources have been ex-  
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haunted by mounting demands, county officials can break the cycle of dysfunctional behavior in society through applications of creative thinking, Stewart said.

Taking steps to ensure the solidarity of the family is one means, he said. Another is the encouragement of volunteerism, such as that

advocated by the W.K. Kellogg Foundation. The Michigan-based foundation is providing a \$549,000 grant to NACo to develop a volunteer program.

Garn told conventioners his 1985 flight aboard the space shuttle Discovery evoked inexpressible feelings about the beauty of the Earth, but also anger and frustration at the inability of humans to live peacefully.

War, famine and high infant-mortality rates are all hard to

fathom in a world, he said, which there are "enough natural resources to take care of all of God's children."

Garn said his space trip also inspired pride in the United States, which he said has advanced individual freedom longer than any country.

"I have never been more optimistic about the future," he said. "Freedom is breaking out all over ... with speed I could not imagine."



## Hay day for volunteers

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PHOTOGRAPHY/ GARRY BRYANT

Dashing through the farm, David Kelley takes Salt Lake County employees, their families and others for a hay ride Friday at "Volunteer Appreciation Day" at Wheeler Historic Farm, 6351 S. 900 East, Murray. Sponsored by the county, the

event was held in honor of the 12,600 volunteers who donate 800,000 hours each year. Activities included children's stories, free hamburgers and hot dogs served by the Salt Lake County commissioners and a western dance in the barn.



# Provo area volunteers praised for dedication

By CHRISTI CONOVER  
Herald Staff Writer

PROVO — Hundreds of hours have been donated to help prepare the defense of Utah's anti-abortion law, said Mary Anne Q. Wood, lawyer appointed to defend the law.

Wood praised those volunteers and others who have given selfless service at the annual Reed Smoot Special Citizenship Awards banquet Thursday at Brigham Young University.

The event was sponsored by the Provo/Orem Chamber of Commerce. This is the fourth year the Reed Smoot Awards have been given, which are designed to honor Provo residents for service to the community.

Wood said as she prepared the defense for Utah's abortion law, she was pleased by the number of national and international experts who put in countless hours of research "so our state's defense could be one we are proud of."

She also honored those receiving citizenship awards that evening as well as former U.S. Senator Reed Smoot, who have all dedicated themselves to selfless service.

Wood introduced 1992 Citizen of the Year Jamie Thompson. Instead of giving a speech when receiving her award, Thompson sang a song of thanks to those attending.

As retired creative director of

the BYU Program Bureau, Thompson is the originator of the Young Ambassadors and Lamanite Generation, performing groups at BYU.

In 1960, Thompson took the first BYU performing group visiting military bases in the Pacific.

Over the years, she also traveled with performing groups to the Orient, the Middle East, North Africa, Europe, Greenland, Iceland, Canada, Central and South America, Mexico and the United States.

Other awards winners were: Linda Walton, Outstanding Businesswoman of the Year; Craig and Lisa Witham, Outstanding Business Entrepreneurs of the Year; Central Bank, Business of the Year.

Kay Laursen, Educator of the Year; Max Golightly, Outstanding Contribution to the Cultural Arts; Cherie Lyon, Outstanding Community Service.

Doug Henstrom, Student of the Year, Timpview High School; Michael Weir, Student of the Year, Independence High School; Jill Baron, Student of the Year, Provo High School.

Special posthumous recognition was given to Ron Last, former principal of Provo High School and Provo Municipal Council Member, for lifetime contribution to education.



## United Way lists volunteer leaders

Dr. Sherm Cloward, United Way of Utah County campaign chair, has announced the 1991-92 campaign volunteer leadership.

Bob Parsons, a professor in the Institute of Public Management in the Marriott School of Management at BYU, has been named co-chair over development. He has recruited a team of executive volunteers in an effort to generate increased support for this year's campaign.

David Hatton, from the Bank of American Fork, and Art Sandgren, from New York Life Insurance, will serve as division co-chairs.

Hatton, division chair of cultivation, will be assisted by Bob Chatfield, from the Bank of American Fork, and Rock Boulter, from Zions Bank.

Sandgren, division chair over potential, will be joined by Jim Shafer, of Shafer Credit; Arnie Brown, from Zions Bank; Richard Shinson, from UVCC; John Dean, from Key Bank; Terry Kallas, from Planned Management Services; and Dick Aland, from BYU.

Jana Rae Fetting, manager of the Orem J.C. Penney store, is co-chair over the loaned executives program, in which business-

es "loan" an executive to United Way for a specified period of time, while keeping the executive on their payroll.

Roger Williams, vice president of First Security Bank, is financial co-chair, and will be contacting financial institutions to solicit support for this year's campaign.

Gary Pullins, head baseball coach at Brigham Young University, and co-chair over leadership, will be promoting membership in the new Summit Club, a recognition program for those individuals with a higher capacity to give.



## Center for people with disabilities

The State Department and Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Volunteer group volunteers are needed to make birthday cakes for the center's clients and also to assist in coloring pictures for client communication books.

Volunteers may serve once or may accept a long-term volunteering assignment. Those who are interested in a long-term assignment will be given a one-hour orientation session on their first visit for instructions about wheelchair safe-

## Volunteers to help

### handicaps

specialty and center regulations and policy.

Other community volunteer opportunities:

- The Food and Shelter Coalition needs small groups to help serve hot meals to homeless individuals.

- The Department of Social Services is seeking Family Advocate volunteers to assist caseworkers with supervision and monitoring of cases. Volunteers will work one-on-one with individual children and families. Clerical volunteers are also needed to answer telephones, take messages and file case records.

For information call 374-8108.